

La Peña Cultural Center
3105 Shattuck Ave.
Berkeley, CA 94705
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La Peña Cultural Center

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Tue. - Fri. 10 - 5 pm
510.849.2568
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La Tienda Box Office

FOR ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY
Wed. - Sat. 1 - 6 pm
510.849.2568 ext. 20
or www.lapena.org

Café Valparaíso at La Peña

Now Open on Sundays from 1pm-9:30pm
Wed. - Sat. 5:30 pm
NEW phone/fax: 510-841-3800



* indicates that this program is a community rental and/or benefit and that tarjetas (La Peña discount cards) are not valid. Programs subject to change. La Peña is wheelchair accessible. La Peña is a member of the Latino Arts Network of California.

Two Month Calendar
See back for February



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Cultural Center & Café Calendar • January & February 2003 (ON THE BACK)

		WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4
		CAFÉ VALPARAÍSO CLOSED	CAFÉ VALPARAÍSO CLOSED	CAFÉ VALPARAÍSO OPEN	CAFÉ VALPARAÍSO OPEN
		Program Coordinator Position Available @ La Peña Check our website www.lapena.org or go directly to www.lapena.org/hiring.html. No phone calls please. Submit resumes by Jan. 7 to: Hiring Committee, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, CA 94705 CHECK LA PEÑA'S WEB SITE FOR UP-TO-THE-MINUTE PROGRAMMING WWW.LAPENA.ORG			
		5	8	9	10
		CAFÉ RUMBA 3:30pm in the Café Lobby	CAFÉ VALPARAÍSO OPEN	REPORT BACK	DANCE CONCERT
		Sexto Sentido and Novela	CAFÉ VALPARAÍSO OPEN	REPORT BACK FROM PALESTINE	Bolero y Más con Raquel
		Two-part video of a popular Nicaraguan TV series about diversity, sexuality and young people struggling for social change. In Spanish with English subtitles. Q&A with producers.	CAFÉ POETRY AND OPEN MIC Hosted by Kira Allen 7:30 pm	Photographer Zack Jensen will present a slide show and discussion about the occupied territories and conflicts in Palestine.	Classic Latin dance music & Latin Jazz (Son, cha-cha-cha, romantic boleros, guaracha, and more). Enjoy dancing to the songs of Cuba, Puerto Rico, and NY City. This dynamic band is made up of some of the Bay Area's finest Latin Musicians. Come and dance! Rueda dancers welcome! Also performing, La Familia bringing Afro-Cuban son y más.
		7pm \$5-\$20 sliding scale * High school students \$1 with ID.	CAFÉ VALPARAÍSO OPEN	8pm Free Admission	8:30pm \$10
		12	15	16	17
		FORUM	CAFÉ VALPARAÍSO OPEN	CHECK LA PEÑA'S WEB SITE FOR UP-TO-THE-MINUTE PROGRAMMING	YOUTH POETRY SLAM
		The War on Iraq and its impact on the Middle East & North Africa	CAFÉ POETRY AND OPEN MIC Hosted by Paul Flores 8pm	WWW.LAPENA.ORG	Come see the second preliminary round of the Feel It! youth poetry slam tournament. 20 of the Bay Area's hottest youth poets competing for \$250 and free tuition to the VONA performance poetry workshop.
		Join the The Middle East Radio Project in a forum-benefit that examines the effect of the war on Iraq on countries in the Middle East and North Africa. Reports on Turkey, Iran, Palestine, Kurdistan and others. Followed by Discussion.	CAFÉ VALPARAÍSO OPEN	CAFÉ VALPARAÍSO OPEN FROM 5:30PM	7:30-11pm \$3* doors open @ 7pm
		4pm \$5-10 sliding scale * For more info 510-287-5869 or www.me-radio.org	22	23	24
		19	CAFÉ VALPARAÍSO OPEN	Learn while you help a non-profit alternative art & Culture Center	YOUTH POETRY SLAM
		CAFÉ RUMBA 3:30pm in the Café Lobby La Lesbian @ La Peña presents:	CAFÉ POETRY AND OPEN MIC Hosted by Paradise 7:30pm	Volunteers are an important part of La Peña. They play a vital role in keeping costs down by: staffing our programs; helping to set stage lights; doing sound; doing building maintenance; day time reception; data entry; helping to hang an exhibit; & fundraising for the center.	Come see the semifinal round of the Feel It! Youth poetry slam tournament. 20 of the Bay Area's hottest youth poets competing for \$250 and free tuition to the VONA performance poetry workshop. The third round of a four round, 40 poet tournament.
		Radical Harmonies	Monday Jan. 20 is MLK, Jr. Day Let's honor his memory by working for peace!	Become involved! 510-849-2568	7:30-11pm \$3* doors open @ 7pm
		A film by Dee Mosbacher that chronicles the history and fervor of the women's music movement, feminism and lesbian rights activism in America. Surprise musical guests	29	30	31
		7:30pm \$8adv. \$10dr.*	CAFÉ VALPARAÍSO OPEN	TALK	AFRO-CUBAN MUSIC
		Tickets in person at La Peña & Boadecia's Books (Kensington) Online at: www.ticketweb.com	CAFÉ POETRY AND OPEN MIC Hosted by Rain 7pm	SPEAK OUT presents The Globalization of Racism: U.S. Foreign Policy & the Rush to War One of the most prominent white anti-racist voices in the U.S., Tim Wise has spoken to over 75,000 people in 46 states. Author of "Little White Lies," his writings regularly appear on Znet & Alternet. He has squared off with noted conservatives including Dinesh D'Souza, Nathan Glazer & Ward Connerly. For more info: 510-601-0182.	"A Lo Cubano" An evening of Yoruba, Bantu, Carabali, Cuban-Haitian, Rumba, Musica Campesina and Comparsa with Cuban Troop, directed by Jose Francisco Barroso and featuring Sandy Perez, Jesus Diaz, Fito Reinoso, Jose Luis Gomez, Susana Arenas, Ines Gonzales, Enrique Carreras, Isidro Valor, Mijael labrada, Vladamir Rosell & Omar Hernandez. Two Shows:
		26	31	7:30 pm \$7-12 sliding scale*	8 & 10pm \$15adv. \$8dr.
		CONCERT	January Art Exhibit @ the Café and Lobby Oaxacan Prints by Efraín Morales Sánchez		
		Female vocal sextet Solstice in Concert			
		The group explores the a cappella song, weaving traditional & popular American music, Eastern European folk songs, Italian madrigals, & original compositions into a strong sound; richer than the sum of its six voices. Our repertoire—spanning more than 11 countries & 900 years—is unified by our mission: to sing music written by women & for women's voices.			
		7:30pm \$12			

Los Amiguitos de La Peña
10:30am, \$4 adults, \$3 children
Saturday, Jan. 11: Do the banana dance, be a ballerina, or drive a mighty truck, as troubadour Miss Kitty, leads family in a fun winter sing along.

Saturday, Jan 18: Diane Ferlatte presents 'Knick Knack Paddy Whack', Mother Goose still on the loose and animal tales too.

Saturday, Jan 25: Earth Capades with acrobatic skills to entertain and educate all-ages audiences

Made possible in part by a grant from Mervyn's



Sexto Sentido, Sun. Jan. 5



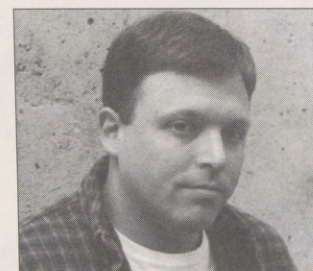
Bolero y Mas, Fri. Jan. 10



Radical Harmonies, Sun. Jan. 19



Chaskinakuy, Sat. Jan. 18



Tim Wise, Thurs. Jan. 30



Cuban Troop, Fri. Jan. 31

FREE & FEE CLASSES VISIT WWW.LAPENA.ORG FOR SCHEDULES

Introducing... La Peña's Community Hall of Fame

With La Peña entering its 28th year, we are excited to announce that in just a few months we will be inaugurating the La Peña Community Hall of Fame. We will launch an annual tradition of honoring activists, artists, and community members who embody the spirit of La Peña. The initial set of inductees will be honored at special events around the Bay Area over the next 18 months.

We want your input!

We invite members of the community to contribute to the creation of this Community Hall of Fame by sending nominations to our Hall of Fame Committee. Please visit the "Community Hall of Fame Page" on our website, www.lapena.org, to submit your nomination. Or to request a nomination form, email eric@lapena.org or call 510/849-2468 x12.

VOICE OF ROMA

A nonprofit organization supporting the Roma of Kosovo

Voice of Roma returns to Kosovo this winter, providing aid, medication & assistance to the Romani people living in desperate conditions there. For more information <http://www.scn.org/roma/> or call: 707-823-7941

NO WAR IN IRAQ!

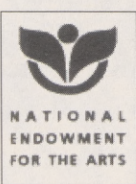
Volunteer Opportunities. Learn while shelping non-profit Culture Center

Volunteers are an important part of La Peña. Their donated labor keeps our center affordable to many people. Not only do they staff many of our programs, they also support La Peña by donating their time and energy. Volunteers play a vital role in keeping our costs down and are also a source of inspiration and ideas. Volunteers benefit by seeing many types of cultural, political, and artistic productions. Become involved! Please call Volunteer Coordinator Yaya Maldonado at 849-2568 ext. 13. ¡Vivan Los Voluntarios de La Peña!

THANKS TO OUR FUNDERS

Alameda County Arts Commission, Association of Performing Arts Presenters, Berkeley Civic Arts Commission, California Arts Council, Clorox Company Foundation, Gerbode Foundation, National Performance Network, James Irvine Foundation, Mervyns, National Endowment for the Arts, San Francisco

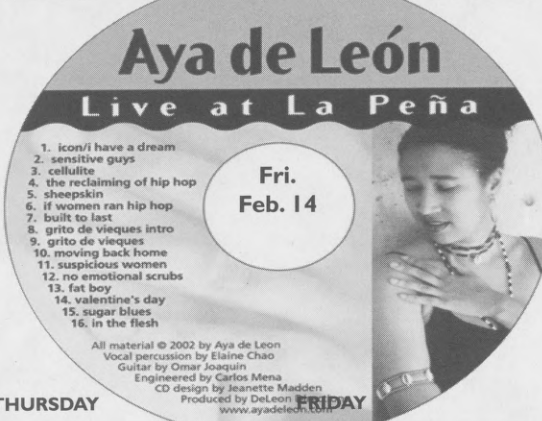
Foundation, Walter and Elise Haas Fund, William & Flora Hewlett Foundation, Zellerbach Family Fund, and East Bay Community Foundation and our many generous individual donors & members!





Jaranón y Bochinche. Fri. Feb. 28

Celebrate Black History Month



SATURDAY

Derique 10:30am

HYIM in Concert

The celebrated originator of Oakland Folk Music is back with his **Fat Oakland Orchestra**. His debut album "Let Out A Little Peace," has been described as "an eclectic musical journey...absolutely mesmerizing and memorable." A fund raiser for JYCA (Jewish Youth for Community Action). DJ Common Sensi will be spinning for the festivities before and after the show.

9pm \$10-25 (sliding scale)
\$8 w/student ID

SUNDAY

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CAFE RUMBA
3:30pm in the Café Lobby

¡No le llames salsa a mi son!

Dance to IRE's original arrangements to some of your favorite Cuban songs. Vocals, tres, guitar, bass, percussion, flute and sax come together for a swinging *vocación* perfect for a Sunday eve. Led by Gil Guillermo, the band features Norm Downing, Johnny Escobedo, Mario Vega, Carlos Palomares, and Cuban-born Osvaldo Carvajal on lead vocals, improvising lyrics in the tradition of the true soneros.

7pm \$10

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

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Join Latino Arts Network
Strengthening and
deepening the
relationship among
California's Latino arts
organizations. Visit:
www.latinoarts.net
for membership
information

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CHECK LA PEÑA'S WEB SITE
FOR UP-TO-THE-MINUTE
PROGRAMMING

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CAFE VALPARAISO
OPEN FROM 5:30PM

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BAILE

Desde Cuba a Puerto Rico

Dance to two Bay Area groups in a night of Cuban & Puerto Rican music.
La Familia
playing Cuban son with funk y sabor and
Son Borikua
playing live bomba, plena, salsa and musica jíbara from Puerto Rico, New York and Oakland.

8:30pm \$10

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Magic Window Puppets
HECHO EN CALIFAS

Urban cumbia, ska, rock, & hip hop
by raza from California featuring:

SKALAVERA (LA)
DISKARTE NAMIN (SF)
ENTRE MÚSICOS (BRK)

8:30pm \$10

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FILM FESTIVAL

 Bicycle-Friendly Berkeley
Coalition BFBC

7th Bicycle Film Festival

Featuring cutting edge films, videos and shorts, celebrating bicycling - the future of transportation. The BFBC is hosting its annual fundraiser and bicycling party. There will dancing, auction items including a new bike, give aways of great bike accessories, and much more.

4 - 9pm \$10-20 sliding scale*

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CAFE POETRY
**CAFE POETRY AND
OPEN MIC**
Hosted by Kira Allen
7:30pm

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REPORT BACK
**Report Back from the New Brazil
and the World Social Forum**

Join us for a report back & reflections on the first few weeks of a Worker's Party, Lula-led Brazil as well as stories and lessons from the World Social Forum held in January in Porto Alegre. We will be joined by a special guest from Brazil's Landless Workers Movement (MST). Sponsored by the Friends of the MST. For more info, please call 415-255-0795.

7:30pm \$5*

14

VALENTINE'S DAY

Love: The Live Version
A spoken word celebration
& release party for the new CD
"Aya de Leon - Live at La Peña"
Featuring: **Marvin K. White** vocal
percussionist **Elaine Chao**
and special guests. Door prizes! and
Goodies!

2 shows: 7:00 & 9:30
\$10adv. \$12dr.
admission includes
hip hop/soul/world dance party!

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Gary Lapow 10:30am
Collective Soul

Hip Hop for Black History
featuring:

MISSION:
Lunar Heights
Pits & Kits (Freestyle
Fellowship)
D.J. Treat.U.Nice

8:30pm \$10

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3:30pm in the Café Lobby

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CAFE POETRY
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OPEN MIC**
Hosted by Paul Flores
8pm

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FILM
REBELS WITH A CAUSE

The '60s- rebellions, repression, hopes. A feature length film about SDS. Told by members of Students for a Democratic Society, the largest U.S. student organization of the time, the film captures the passion and spirit of a generation that lost its innocence but gained a sense of power and purpose. Discussion with filmmaker Helen Garvy and others.

7:30pm \$5-\$10*

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CONCERT
"Barran Después"
Mochi Parra in Concert

Chilean singer Mochi Parra will be performing alongside argentinean guitarist **Martin Quaglia** a repertoire that includes tango, festejo, zamba and all combined with original material from composers Carlos Hayre, Sebastian (bati) Paz, Atahualpa Yupanqui and more.

8pm \$10

22

Juanita Ulloa 10:30am

Put on your dancing shoes for an evening with

Montuno Groove

a mix of Puerto Rican salsa, Cuban Son with a dash of R & B featuring vocalists, Gloria Amaral, Kristal Gray, and Violeta Contreras

9:30pm \$10

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BAILE
Direct from Camaguey, Cuba
**ORQUESTA MARAVILLA
DE FLORIDA***

Dance to the sounds of this legendary contemporary charanga band. Orquesta Maravilla was one of the first charanga bands to adopt the songo rhythm and plays with swing!

 5pm and 7pm - Two shows
20/adv. \$22/door
*Pending Visa Approval

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CAFE POETRY
**CAFE POETRY AND
OPEN MIC**
Hosted by Paradise
7:30pm

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CONCERT
**Prince Myshkins &
Dave Lippman**

Dave Lippman and George Shrub return with up-to-the-minute distortions of the latest foreign & domestic wars. Sing along with the world's only known singing CIA agent. The Prince Myshkins create meticulous masterpieces of razor-sharp social commentary; their music is influenced by Gilbert & Sullivan and Brecht & Phil Ochs.

7:30pm \$10

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CONCERT/DANCE

Centro Cultural Tradición
Peruana presents
Jaranón y Bochinche's
¡Carnaval Negro de Perú!
Afro-Peruvian Music and Dance

A very special concert celebrating the success of their new CD "Hijos de Africa en América" (Children of Africa in America)

8:30pm \$15

War is not the Answer!

For peace and social justice, La Peña urges our community to speak out against war, the brutal crackdown by Israel in occupied Palestine, detention of immigrants, and against the attack on civil liberties. We can't let the Bush government to use this war to distract from important issues such as corporate scandals, the economy, spending on education and social services. Please remain informed check out these anti-war resources: www.War-Times.org, www.Notinourname.net, and www.UnitedforPeace.org.



Mochi Parra. Fri. Feb. 21



Montuno Groove. Sat. Feb. 22



Dave Lippman. Thurs. Feb. 27



Son Borikua. Fri. Feb. 7


**Join La Peña,
Become
a Member!**

If you are not a current member, please take the time and fill out the membership form and receive our calendar monthly. La Peña is a grassroots community based organization that relies on grassroots community support!

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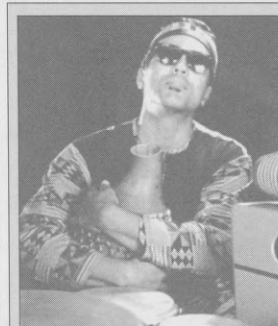
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February Exhibits



@ Lobby: **La Vida y La Muerte**, paintings and prints by Chilean artist **Pancho Pescador**. @ Café: **El Salvador & Guatemala**, black and white photos by **Giuseppe Dezza**. Artists' opening reception: Friday, February 7 @ 5:30pm



Join La Peña and Make a Difference!
**Yes, I want to support La Peña by joining
the Song of Unity Membership!**

If you value our contribution to the social and political life in the Bay Area, please consider making a contribution.

\$500 Padrino/Madrina - receive a free **Annual Pass** to all La Peña events (That's only \$42 per month through EFT)

\$250 Victor Jara - receive a **Discount Pass** to La Peña events (That's only \$21 per month through EFT)

\$100 Paul Robeson - receive a \$10 **Café Valparaíso** coupon (only \$9 per month)

\$50 Malvina Reynolds - receive a free La Peña **T-shirt** (only \$5 per month)

\$35 Compañero/Compañera - You invest in La Peña and receive the **calendar**, newsletter, and mailings (only \$3 per month)

\$25 Activista - Student, fixed income, low income membership with **calendar**, newsletter, and mailings (only \$2 per month)

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